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Dear Joshua:

As I stated over the telephone, I will be able to attend your exobiology committee meeting on the 25th. I believe you said something about the 24th over the telephone but as you suggested, I will clear up these details with Mr. Derbyshire. I see no good reason why NASA should not pick up the tab for the bill as I plan to do some chores for them at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory on the same trip and besides, I am sure that they have more money.

Those blueprints I sent mean very little to me too, but the engineers here seem to think this is the only way to convey information to another engineer. Incidentally, we are about to let a large (for us) contract with Douglas Aircraft to work on detection systems for us. A Dr. Konecci who is Director of Life Science for them in Santa Monica was quite interested in the sterilization and other space problems. This may be a place where biology and instrumentation engineers meet. I will go into this further when I see you.

I have not contacted Dr. DuShane again concerning the paper, since I hope to do a little more rewriting and polishing on it before hand. I should have it ready to send him in a relatively short time.

Sincerely,

CHARLES R. PHILLIPS

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